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1. (Currently Amended) A post-foaming cleansing composition comprising at least one anionic surfactant together with at least one amphoteric surfactant, at least one non-ionic gelling agent and at least one post-foaming agent, characterised in that the ratio of anionic surfactant:non-ionic gelling agent is 4:1 or greater such that during manufacture the gel rigidity of the composition always remains substantially unchanged for at least 4 minutes after addition of the said post-foaming agent to the remainder of the composition, wherein the non-ionic gelling agent is selected from alkoxylated alcohols laureth-2, laureth-4, C12/13 pareth-3, cetareth-4, or oleth-3 alone or in combination, and wherein the at least one non-ionic gelling agent constitutes from about 0.01 to 8.0% by weight of the total composition, wherein the composition is filled into a package from which the subsequently formed gel is dispensed, and wherein the composition is filled into the package prior to the gel structure being formed.
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3. (Original) A post-foaming cleansing composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the non-ionic gelling agent consists of laureth-4.
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5. (Currently Amended) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition is filled into ~~a package~~ an aerosol can prior to the gel structure being formed.
6. (Original) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1, wherein the total surfactant constitutes from about 0.01% to about 30.0% by weight of the total composition.

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7. (Original) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1, wherein the post-foaming agent comprises at least one saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon having from 4 to 6 carbons.
8. (Original) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1, wherein the post-foaming agent constitutes from about 0.01% to about 14% by weight of the total composition.
9. (Currently Amended) A method for the manufacture of a cleansing composition comprising the steps of:- adding at least one non-ionic gelling agent to a mixture comprising at least one anionic surfactant, such that the ratio of anionic surfactant: non-ionic gelling agent is 4:1 or greater, combining the ensuing mixture with at least one post-foaming agent and filling the mixture into a package, from which the subsequently formed gel is dispensed, prior to a gel structure being formed and, wherein the gel rigidity of the composition remains substantially unchanged for at least 4 minutes after addition of the said post-foaming agent to the said mixture, wherein the non-ionic gelling agent is selected from alkoxyated alcohols laureth-2, laureth-4, C12/13 pareth-3, cetareth-4, or oleth-3 alone or in combination, and wherein the at least one non-ionic gelling agent constitutes from about 0.01 to 8.0% by weight of the total composition

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17. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 3, wherein the total surfactant constitutes from about 0.01% to about 30.0% by weight of the total composition.

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21. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 3, wherein the post-foaming agent comprises at least one saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon having from 4 to 6 carbons.

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24. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 6, wherein the post-foaming agent comprises at least one saturated aliphatic hydrocarbon having from 4 to 6 carbons.

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26. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 3, wherein the post-foaming agent constitutes from about 0.01% to about 14% by weight of the total composition.

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29. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 6, wherein the post-foaming agent constitutes from about 0.01% to about 14% by weight of the total composition.

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30. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 7, wherein the post-foaming agent constitutes from about 0.01% to about 14% by weight of the total composition.
31. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the anionic surfactant comprises sodium lauryl ether sulphate.
32. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the anionic surfactant includes alkali metal alkyl ether sulfates, sulfosuccinates, isethionates and acyl glutamates.
33. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the post-foaming agent includes n-butane, iso-butane, n-pentane, iso-pentane, iso-hexane and mixtures thereof.
34. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the post-foaming agent includes iso-pentane.
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36. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the anionic surfactant comprises the major surfactant and thus constitutes more than 50 percent by weight of the total surfactant.
37. (Previously Presented) A post-foaming cleansing composition according to claim 1 wherein the amphoteric surfactant includes cocamidopropyl betaine.